

## RESOLUTION R-32-15

### A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING 35 YEARS OF MUNICIPAL JOINT ACTION FOR PUBLIC POWER UTILITIES

Introduced by Alderman Zelinski.

**WHEREAS**, for more than 110 years, municipally owned, not-for profit Menasha Utilities has provided the City of Menasha with reliable, affordable electric power; customer-focused hometown service; significant local tax contributions; local jobs; local ownership; and local control of our community's energy future; and

**WHEREAS**, not-for-profit, member-owned, joint-action wholesale power supplier WPPI Energy was formed in 1980 to preserve and enhance the value of public power utilities such as Menasha Utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, together, WPPI Energy member communities have built a diverse, flexible, cost-effective long-term power supply portfolio; an array of more than 75 best-in-class utility and customer programs and services; and a proven track record of energy policy advocacy for the benefit of WPPI Energy member communities and their electric utility customers;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Menasha has been a member-owner of WPPI Energy since 1981; and

**WHEREAS**, together, the 51 member utilities of WPPI Energy serve more than 200,000 local homes and businesses in Wisconsin, Michigan and Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, WPPI Energy members enjoy shared strength by pooling their needs and expertise for a reliable, affordable power supply, access to technology, and cost-effective programs and services that would be difficult and expensive for any one community to accomplish alone;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Menasha, Winnebago County, Wisconsin recognizes and celebrates the thirty-fifth anniversary of the creation of WPPI Energy, our community's member-owned, joint-action municipal power supplier; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Menasha will continue working to bring the benefits of joint action to local homes and businesses, just as it has since 1981, the year our community became a member-owner of WPPI Energy.

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_ day of October, 2015.

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Donald Merkes, Mayor

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Deborah A. Galeazzi, City Clerk